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SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of this non-provisional utility patent application entitled System and Method for Remote Identification of Energy Consumption Systems and Components by Culp, et al., please amend the application as follows: